

**Harrington Park Recreation Commission**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday, May 13, 2020**

AMENDMENT TO MEETING LOCATION Harrington Park Recreation Commission Meeting May 13, 2020  
Please take notice that in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq. and in consideration of Executive Order no. 103, issued by Governor Murphy on March 9, 2020 declaring a State of Emergency and a public Health Emergency in the State of New Jersey, and Governor Murphy's Executive Order no. 107 that restricts public gatherings and directs residents of New Jersey to stay at home," please be advised that the already scheduled and advertised May 13, 2020, 8:00 pm meeting of the Harrington Park Recreation Commission will take place via Zoom conference. Instructions to access the Remote Meeting and procedures for commenting are as follows: You are invited to a Zoom webinar. When: May 13, 2020, 08:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)  
Topic: Recreation. Please click the link below to join the webinar: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89976833921?pwd=c1oTHRMaDFTbDFIVzBYZVhTYS9MZz09>, Meeting ID: 8997683394, Password: 214137: One tap mobile +16465588656,,89976833921#,,1#,214137# US Or Telephone: Dial: +1 646-558-8656, Webinar ID: 899 7683 3921, Password: 214137. Remote meeting access instructions will also be posted on the Borough Website [harringtonparknj.gov](http://harringtonparknj.gov). Video conferencing services can be accessed via the Zoom App, which can be downloaded to a computer or mobile device before the meeting. Members of the Public can participate in the Public Comment portion of the meeting through both the video and audio conferencing mentioned previously. Questions regarding the Hearing may be directed as provided for on the Borough's website, or to the Board Secretary Tel. (201) 768-1714, or by email: [hprec@harringtonparknj.gov](mailto:hprec@harringtonparknj.gov). All meetings of the Harrington Park Recreation Commission are public meetings, which are always open to members of the general public. Marti Francis Secretary to the Recreation Commission

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

**Chairman's Announcement**

In compliance with Chapter 231, Public Law 1975, adequate notice of the scheduled meeting was made. It is posted at the Municipal Center. Copies have been mailed to the BERGEN RECORD, SUBURBANITE, and THE NORTHERN VALLEY PRESS. A copy has been filed with the Borough Clerk, and copies have been mailed to individuals requesting the same.

**ROLL CALL – 2020 BOARD MEMBERS**

<b>COMMISSION Members</b>	<b>PRESENT</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
(CD) Charles DeGruccio (chairman)	x	
(KK) Patrick (Kelly) Kramer (vice-chair)	x	
(LC) Lynne Cappelmann	x	
(TD) Thomas Donnelly	x	
(RH) Robert Hwang	x	
(AP) Ashely Plescia	x	
(MS) Matthew Saland	X at 8:13	

Also present: Councilwoman Joon Chung and Lara Toomin.

**ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC** Resident Steven Sotland expressed interest in attending to discuss his concerns about the opening of the parks. However, he has spoken with the Mayor and did not join the meeting.

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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** March 11, 2020: Lynne Cappelmann moved to approve the minutes, second Ashley Plescia. All in favor. Carried.

**UPDATES**

- a. **Finance and Budget:** no update
- b. **Field Requests:** Refunds are being made. A suggestion was made to roll deposits into a future season, but Lara felt that people wanted their money now.
- c. **School Coordination** no report
- d. **Sports Coordination** no report
- e. **Town Programs**
  - Fishing Derby – Sunday, June 21, 2020, 12:00-2:00PM (Pondside) Charles DeGruccio moved to cancel for 2020, second Rob Hwang. All in favor. Carried.
  - Town Day – Saturday, September 12, 2020 12-4pm (Highland). Charles DeGruccio moved to cancel for 2020, second Lynne Cappelmann. All in favor carried. The Commission discussed the possibility of creating a new event that would focus on town organizations and businesses. This will be discussed at the meetings over the summer.
  - Ragamuffin – Saturday, October 31, 2020 at 10:00-11:30AM (Borough Hall Parking lot) No changes were made to this event at this time.
- f. **Park & Playground Maintenance**
  - i. **Field Maintenance** The school is maintaining their own fields. Sprinklers have been installed at Highland. Kelly Kramer is getting a quote on rain sensors.
  - ii. **Fieldhouse and Highland Hut Quotes** We never received the written quote from Nelson. We may need more vendors. The engineer approved the pavilion design; the cost is lower than expected. It can include picnic tables, etc.
  - iii. **Tennis** Someone broke into the tennis court. It has since been chained shut.

**PROJECTS**

- a. **Grant Update**

**OTHER ITEMS** Dr. Fried does not believe that events like the one Michelle Ryan spoke about at the March meeting will take place this year. If it looks as though it can he will contact the 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Joon Chung spoke about the confusion of some residents about acceptable park activities and the required use of masks. Perhaps the Chief of Police should be consulted. Question: should there be port-a-potties at parks? Discussion.

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All graduation events have been forbidden, so the town is putting a banner across Schraalenburgh and putting up lawn signs to congratulate the graduates. It will cost less than \$1500. The Mayor and Council will contribute some money, as will other departments. Joon Chung asked the Recreation Commission to contribute \$500 of unused funds, such as from port-a-potties. Charles DeGruccio moved to contribute \$500 from unused funds, second Ashley Plescia. All in favor. Carried.

Marti will find out if the Rutgers instructor has been paid, when Matt sends her the name. Marti will also officially tell the Junior Women's Club that the Memorial Day concert cannot take place.

Joon Chung will invite the Harrington Park CFO to attend the June 10<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**ADJOURN** Charles DeGruccio moved to adjourn, second Tom Donnelly. All in favor. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.

**NEXT MEETING**

Next regularly scheduled meeting is June 10, 2020